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HIM IN — THE
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3D DRAWINGS
by FRANK BOLE

"THE DEATH RATTLE!"

SOMEWHERE IN THE FOOTHILLS — CLOSE TO THE SALT RIVER HILLS, FAR SOUTH OF THE T-BAR-H RANCH —

YOUR PONY DEAD,
SOON YOU BE DEAD
TOO!

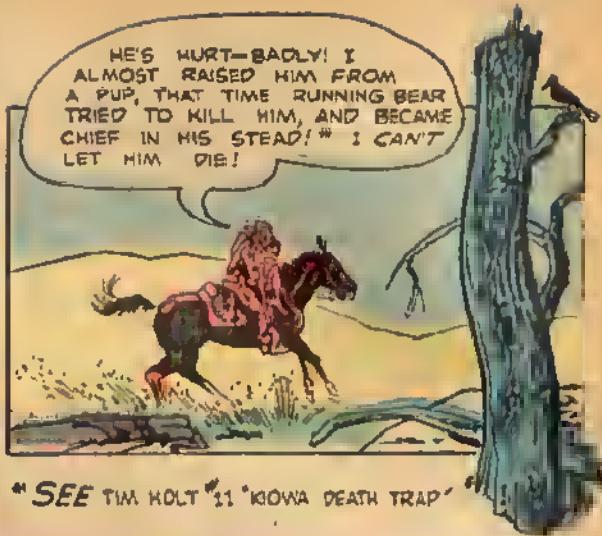
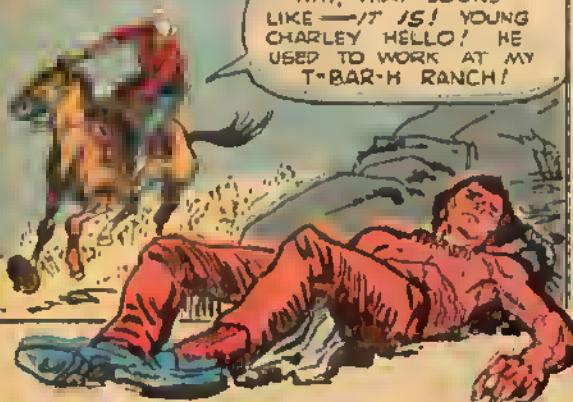


WATCH FOR REDMASK MAGAZINE ON SALE APRIL 23rd!

FOR HOURS THE LIMP FORM OF YOUNG CHULILILLO—HEREDITARY CHIEF OF THE KIOWAS—LIES AS IF DEAD. THEN TOWARD SUNSET...

WHY, THAT LOOKS LIKE—IT IS! YOUNG CHARLEY HELLO! HE USED TO WORK AT MY T-BAR-H RANCH!

HE'S HURT—BADLY! I ALMOST RAISED HIM FROM A PUP, THAT TIME RUNNING BEAR TRIED TO KILL HIM, AND BECAME CHIEF IN HIS STEAD! I CAN'T LET HIM DIE!



* SEE TIM HOLT "11 'KIOWA DEATH TRAP'"

HOURS LATER, AT THE T-BAR-H RANCH HOUSE...

WASN'T AS BAD AS IT LOOKED, TIM. HE'S YOUNG AND STRONG, OUGHT TO PULL THROUGH IN FINE SHAPE!

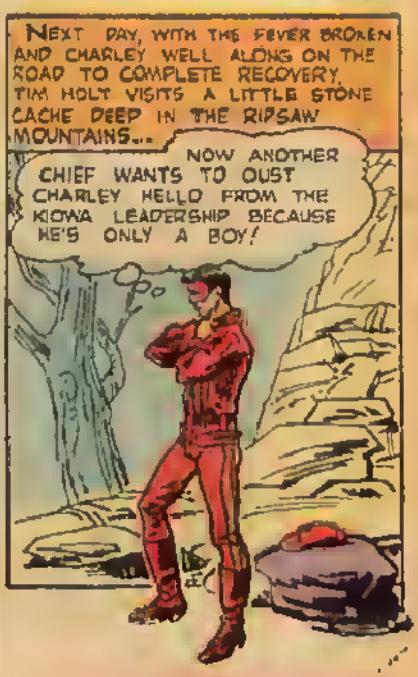
WHAT A RELIEF!

ALL THAT NIGHT WHILE A HIGH FEVER HOLDS CHARLEY HELLO IN ITS DELIRIOUS GRIP, TIM SITS HUNCHED BY THE BEDSIDE...

BIG RATTLE... KILLS MY PEOPLE... DOG RUNNING BAD... KILL ME... OR THROW ME INTO DEATH RATTLE... NO... NO... NO...!

NEXT DAY, WITH THE FEVER BROKEN AND CHARLEY WELL ALONG ON THE ROAD TO COMPLETE RECOVERY, TIM HOLT VISITS A LITTLE STONE CACHE DEEP IN THE RIP-SAW MOUNTAINS...

NOW ANOTHER CHIEF WANTS TO OUST CHARLEY HELLO FROM THE KIOWA LEADERSHIP BECAUSE HE'S ONLY A BOY!



FROM WHAT HE BABBLER IN HIS SLEEP THIS DOG RUNNING WANTS TO BRING HIS PEOPLE BACK TO THE WARPATH AND SCALP DANCE, WAR WITH THE PALEFACES.

— ALL OF WHAT HE CALLS THE "OLD GLORIES"! BUT WHAT I CAN'T GET OVER IS THIS "DEATH RATTLE"! NO RATTLE COULD BE SO BIG THAT IT WOULD HOLD PEOPLE INSIDE IT!

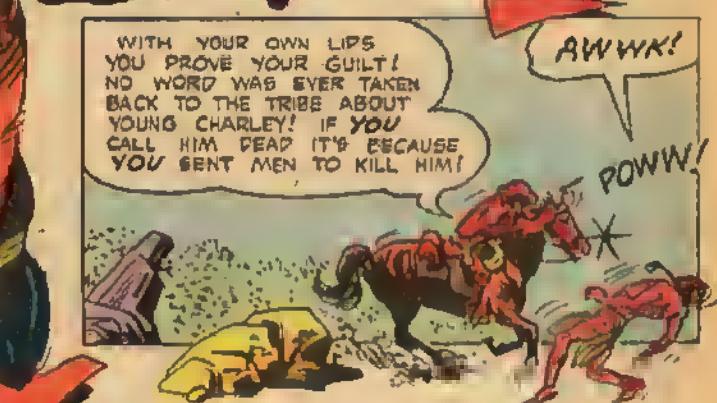


AT THAT MOMENT, MILES AWAY IN KIOWA COUNTRY—

TAKE HIM TO THE RATTLE OF DEATH!

NO... NO... NO...





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THE RATTLE SWAYS AND BANGS! GREAT ROCKS WITHIN BATTER THE WALLS UNTIL IT THUNDERS LIKE A MADMAN'S DRUM! INSIDE IT, REDMASK IS TOSSED HERE AND THERE, LIKE A CHIP IN THE GALE!



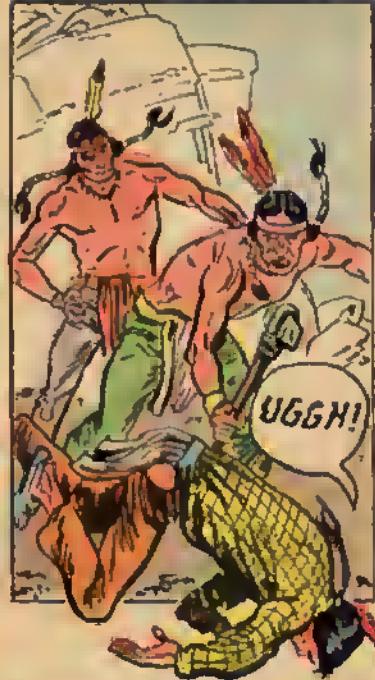
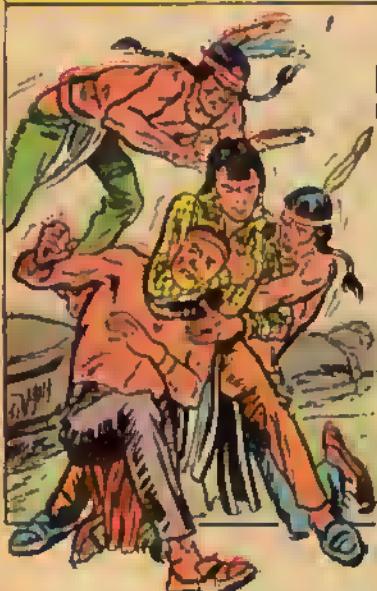
FOR A FEW WILD, TERRIFYING MOMENTS, REDMASK FACES DEATH A DOZEN TIMES! THEN A ROPE IS TOSSED TO HIM...



MEANWHILE, BACK ON THE T-BAR-H RANCH...



SAVAGELY CHARLEY HELLO FIGHTS, BUT THREE KIOWA WARRIORS ARE TOO MUCH FOR HIM TO HANDLE...



THE GREAT RATTLE IS DRAWN CLOSE! CHARLEY HELLO IS DRAGGED TO THE EDGE—



FROM THE EDGE OF THE FIRS RIMMING THE CLIFF—



With savage fury, Redmask and Tall Horse pour into the Kiowas! For a moment, Warclub and Hunting Knife rise and fall—



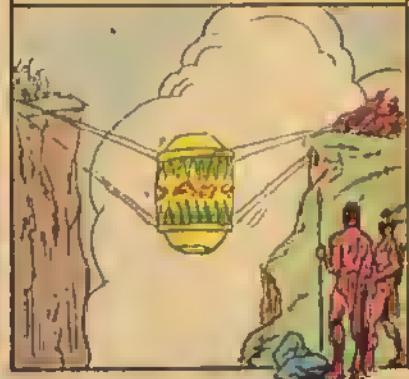
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THE CAPTIVES ARE BROUGHT TO THE EDGE OF THE CLIFF. ONE BY ONE THEY ARE HURLED INTO THE GREAT RATTLE!



WHEN THEY ARE INSIDE, AND THE OPENING COVERED AND LASHED DOWN, THE GREAT RATTLE IS LIFTED, SUSPENDED BETWEEN THE CLIFFTOPS!



With wooden crocbars, the Kiowas set the hide rattle in motion...



INSIDE THE DEATH BAG, REDMASK AND TALL HORSE AND CHULILILLO ARE THROWN UP AND DOWN AND SIDEWAYS, WHILE MIGHTY ROCK BOULDERS BOUNCE AND FLY FROM ONE SIDE OF THE RATTLE TO THE OTHER!



DEATH SLIPS INSIDE THE HIDE CIRCLES, BRING TERROR AND UTTER MADNESS!

AAAGGGH!



IN A WILD FRENZY, REDMASK DRAWS HIS KNIFE, AND, USING IT AS A CLAW, DRAGS HIMSELF TOWARD THE HIDE WALL AND SLITS IT

GOT TO GET OUT!
STOP THIS THING
OR— GO MAD!



WITH KNIFE BLADE, HE CRAWLS UP THE RATTLE TO THE RIM...

HOLD ON IN THERE!



NOW FOR DOG RUNNING!

YOU ESCAPED THE DEATH RATTLE — BUT YOU WILL NOT ESCAPE MY WAR-LANCE!



YOU MISSED ME!
NOW IT'S MY CHANCE!



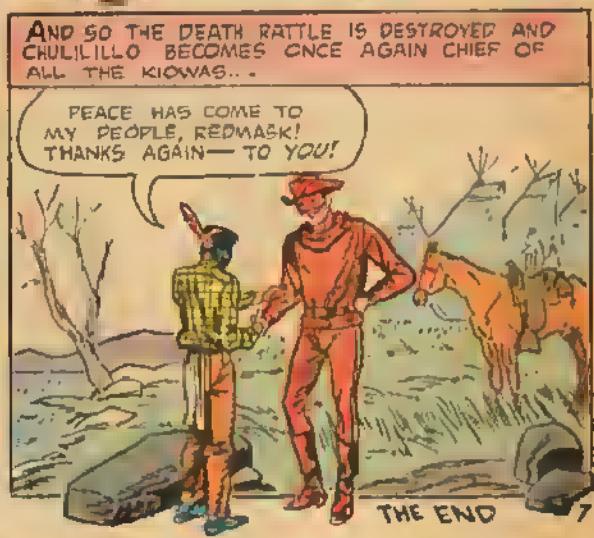
IN A MOMENT, THE FIGHT IS OVER...

WE WILL NOT FIGHT YOU, REDMASK! DOG RUNNING WAS THE EVIL ONE. HAD WE NOT OBEYED HIM, HE WOULD HAVE PUT US INTO THE GREAT DEATH RATTLE!



AND SO THE DEATH RATTLE IS DESTROYED AND CHULILILLO BECOMES ONCE AGAIN CHIEF OF ALL THE KIOWAS...

PEACE HAS COME TO MY PEOPLE, REDMASK! THANKS AGAIN — TO YOU!



THE END

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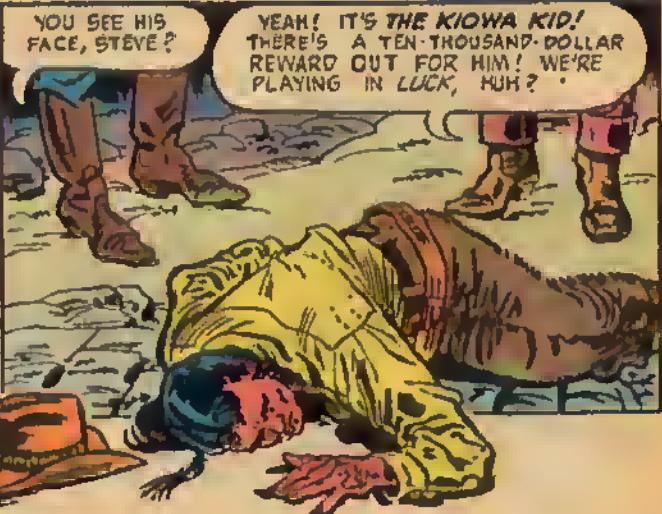
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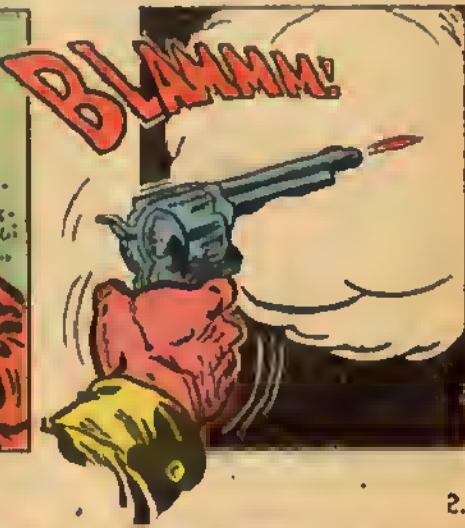
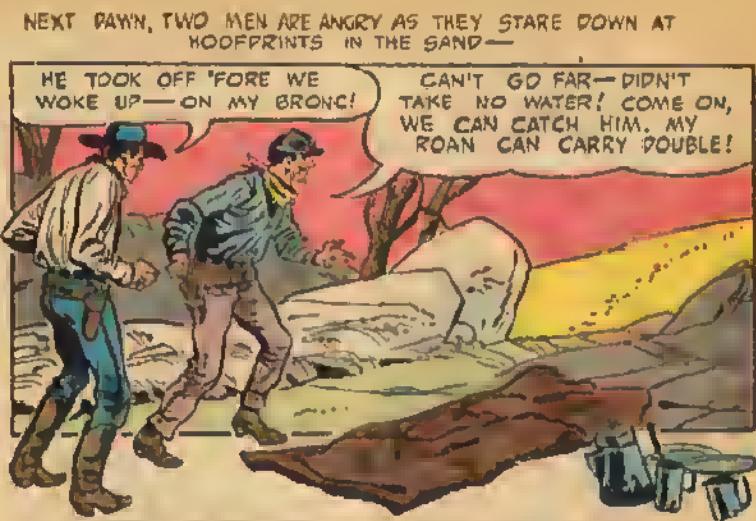
"THE KIOWA KID!"

DEATH WALKS ACROSS THE DESERT WITH REDMASK AS HE BRINGS A PRISONER IN TO JAIL. FOR GREED AS POWERFUL AS A RIFLE BULLET IS A HARD THING TO FIGHT, ESPECIALLY WHEN THAT GREED ALLIES ITSELF WITH TWO MEN WHO WILL NOT SCRUPLE TO KILL REDMASK TO GET THEIR HANDS ON GOLD! AND TO MAKE MATTERS WORSE, THERE'S THE EVIL INSENUITY OF



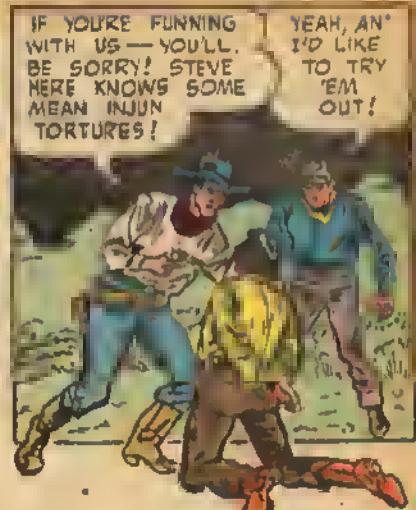
A CAMPFIRE GLOWS IN THE COLD DESERT NIGHT. TOWARD IT A MAN STAGGERS, BLINDLY, REELING—



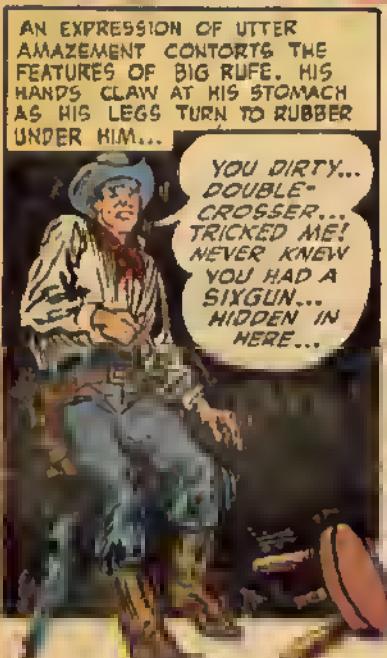
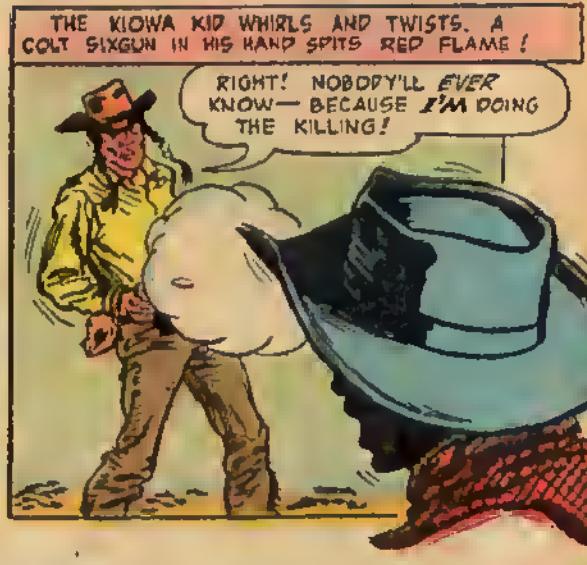


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LATER, STAGGERING WITH THIRST, REDMASK ARRIVES AT THE CAVE WHERE THE LOOT IS HIDDEN...

IT LOOKS AS IF I'M TOO LATE!



HE GOT AWAY—ON YOUR BRONC! GOING TO THE MEXICAN BORDER!

I'LL NEVER CATCH HIM, THEN! BUT I'LL GIVE IT A TRY, NOW THAT YOUR BANDAGED UP.

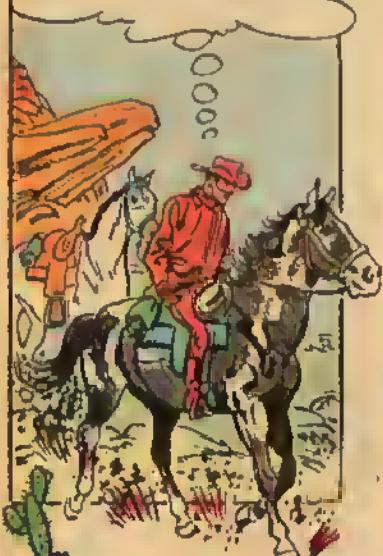


THOSE TWO WON'T GO FAR ON FOOT IN THE DESERT, NOT WITHOUT WATER! AND I TOOK IT ALL WITH ME!



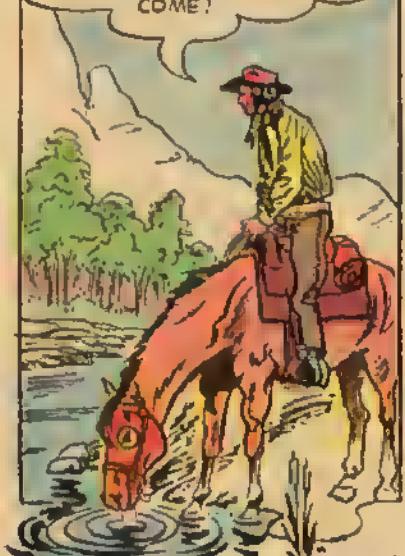
STEADILY, REDMASK RACES SOUTHWARD, REALIZING THAT HE HAS LITTLE CHANCE TO OVERTAKE THE KIOWA KID, BUT REFUSING TO QUIT...

BY CHANGING MOUNTS, I CAN MAKE FAR BETTER TIME THAN THE KID. I IMAGINE HE FIGURES HE'S SAFE ENOUGH, SO HE WON'T BE HURRYING.



REDMASK PROVES A GOOD PROPHET. AT THAT MOMENT, THE KIOWA KID SITS THE SADDLE, BUILDING A SMOKE, LETTING WRANGLER DRINK IN THE RIO GRANDE —

YESSIR, I'M SAFE! RIGHT ACROSS THERE IS MEXICO. NOBODY CAN BRING ME BACK TO THIS SIDE, EITHER, UNTIL I'M READY TO COME!



GOT MY POCKETS LINED WITH GREENBACKS, SO I CAN LIVE REAL EASY FOR A YEAR. BY THAT TIME THE HEAT WILL DIE DOWN, AND I CAN COME BACK TO GET THE REST OF MY LOOT! ... MEXICO—HERE I AM!



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AS REDMASK REINS UP ON THE BANK OF THE RIVER, HE SEES HIS PREY SAFE ON THE OTHER SIDE!

HE GOT AWAY!
NOTHING I CAN
DO NOW!



HAI HAI HAI! REDMASK
FAILED THIS TIME! HE'S
GOT NO WAY TO GET ME
BACK THERE. HE DARN'T
COME OVER HERE AND GET
ME! HAI HAI HAI I'M THE
FIRST HOMBRE WHO EVER
BEAT HIM! HA! HA!



AS THE KIOWA KID BENDS
DOUBLE IN TRIUMPHANT
AIR, REDMASK SUDDENLY
PLACES TWO FINGERS IN
HIS MOUTH—

TWEEE-EE-EEEET!



AT THAT SIGNAL, WRANGLER
REARS HIGH—

HEY!—WAIT! DOGGONE!
THIS BRONC GRABBED THE
BIT IN HIS TEETH! THAT
WHISTLE WAS A SIGNAL TO
HIM! I FORGOT THIS IS
REDMASK'S HORSE!



AT A HARD GALLOP, WRANGLER
COMES BACK ACROSS THE
RIO GRANDE—BRINGING HIS
RIDER WITH HIM!

DOGGONE. YUH!
I DON'T WANT
TO GO BACK TO
THE UNITED
STATES!
STOP!
STOP!



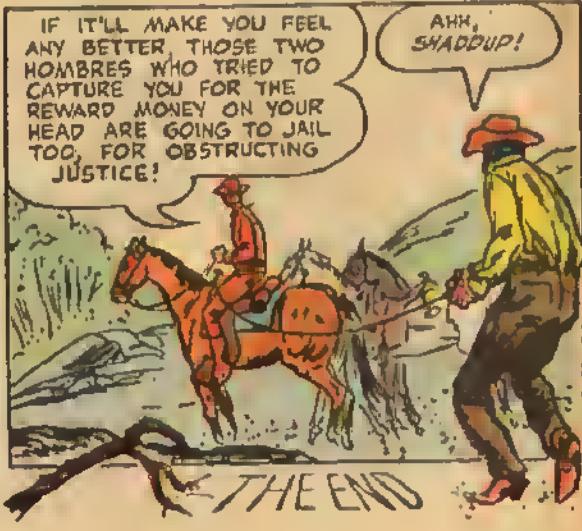
TO SHOW YOU WHAT A WELCOME
YOU'RE GETTING, KID—I CAME
HALFWAY ACROSS TO MEET YOU!

YEEE!



IF IT'LL MAKE YOU FEEL
ANY BETTER, THOSE TWO
HOMBRES WHO TRIED TO
CAPTURE YOU FOR THE
REWARD MONEY ON YOUR
HEAD ARE GOING TO JAIL
TOO, FOR OBSTRUCTING
JUSTICE!

AHH,
SHADDUP!



THE END

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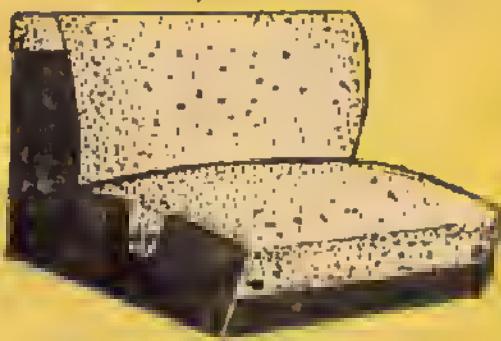
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Tim Holt appears in western movies regularly. However, he does not appear in them as Redmask. If you readers of Tim Holt Comics want to see Tim as Redmask in the movies, why not write in to Redmask's Cave and tell him so?

Tim Holt's real name is Charles John Holt, Jr. He is married and has one child, a son named Lance. He first got into the movies when discovered in an amateur contest by a scout for Walter Wanger. His father is the old time western star, Jack Holt.

Chico Rafferty no longer appears in the movies with Tim.

No pictures can be sent out at this time, although your editors are working hard on this. We sometimes print pictures of Tim and his horse in our comic books, on the end pages. You might clip these out and save them.

The mask Redmask wears in the comic stories of his adventures had to be changed to make it easier for him to breathe. After all — Redmask's exertions call for plenty of activity, and when you

are active, it helps to be able to breathe in that air freely!

Redmask and Tim Holt carry .45 calibre Colt Peacemakers.

Redmask never gets shot because his gun is faster than those of the outlaws. After all — great lawmen like Wyatt Earp and Pat Garrett and Buffalo Bill Cody were never shot, though they fought Indians and badmen almost all their lives! The only way they could shoot Wild Bill Hickok was in the back! Billy the Kid was shot in a dark room when he could not see to shoot back.

Redmask first appeared in issue #20 of Tim Holt comics.

Zut is the dwarf who lives in, and guards, Redmask's cave.

Ronald Prester, Wyoming, Delaware.

The most famous gun in the old west was the .45 calibre Colt Peacemaker. A .45 and a six-shooter are one and the same gun. It is just another name for the revolver of that particular calibre. The Peacemaker Colt was used by Wild Bill Hickok, Billy the Kid, John Wesley Hardin, Wyatt Earp and other lawmen and outlaws.

(DUE TO THE FACT THAT SO MANY REPEAT QUESTIONS COME IN ON ANSWERS ALREADY GIVEN, THE EDITORS WOULD LIKE TO REMIND YOU THAT IF YOUR NAME IS OMITTED FROM AN ANSWER HEADING, IT IS BECAUSE YOUR QUESTION HAS ALREADY BEEN HANDLED.)

TO: Mary Katherine Jaynes, Athens, Tennessee; Karenne Wolfswinkel, Bismarck, North Dakota; Lindley Bennett, no address.

The Arabian horse is probably the world's most famous horse. In this country, the palomino is well known, as is the apaloosa, the speckled horse of the Nez Perce Indians. Tony — Tom Mix's horse — is one of the most famous in the history of the movies. Ask your Dad about him! A Morgan quarter horse was one of the fastest horses in the days of the old west. Of course, race horses are a thoroughbred group, but there were few thoroughbred racehorses on the plains in the old days.

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Thelma Donelson, Eads, Tennessee; Geneva Hoffman, Newcastle, Pennsylvania; Rennie Collins, Oxford, New Jersey; John Clavesen, Fargo, North Dakota; Billy Kingston, Salem, Oregon; Wayne W. Yank, Silver Creek, Quebec.

The Lone Ranger is not a real person. Neither is Red Ryder. These two famous cowboys are newspaper strip creations. Now the Lone Ranger appears on television, but actually, he is only a fictional character, played by an actor.

Guy Madison plays the part of Wild Bill Hickok on television. However, Wild Bill Hickok was a real, live person: a famous gunfighter and lawman of the old west. His marksmanship with a Colt Peacemaker was so remarkable that he has been known to shoot corks through the necks of bottles standing on end without breaking the bottles' necks! He was killed in 1876, shot in the back by Jack McCall. In previous issues, we have discussed all that, so we will not take up any more space on this matter.

Charles Starrett, who plays the part of "The Durango Kid" in the movies, was born in Athol, Massachusetts. He played varsity football at Dartmouth when a young man. He lives today in Bakeraville, California.

TO: Jaime Madrid, Marfa, Texas.

The greatest gunfighter in the west is generally conceded to be Wild Bill Hickok — though being a Texan, maybe your vote goes to John Wesley Hardin!

TO: David Lindsay, Canton, North Carolina; Allan Lieberthal, Chicago, Illinois; Ormond Goss, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Kit Carson was a famous frontiersman and scout for the U.S. cavalry. Born in 1800, he ran away from home when a boy and arrived in Santa Fe in 1826. He was a trapper and hunter until 1830, when he travelled to California, then swung north to hunt beaver. He served with Fremont in 1842, 1843 and 1845. Kit Carson fought in the Mexican War, and was a guide for wagons crossing the plains to California. In 1854 he became Indian agent at Taos, New Mexico. During the Civil War he was chief of scouts during border warfare in the southwest. Made a brigadier-general in 1865, he died peacefully in bed at Fort Lyon, Colorado, May 23, 1868. He was a great Indian fighter and frontiersman, and ranks with Daniel Boone and Davy Crockett as one of the most famous of all scouts and guides. There are many books out for boys and girls about Kit Carson. You will enjoy reading them!

TO: Benjamin Lopez, Indio, California.

The rifle that Daniel Boone used was a so-called Kentucky rifle. Actually, these Kentucky rifles were made in Pennsylvania by Dutch gunsmiths. Their long barrels and fine workmanship made them invaluable to our early hunters

and Indian fighters. Made in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, this rifle was also known as the Pennsylvania rifle. The gunstock was of seasoned maplewood. The weapon was fired by a flint-stone and steel that produced a spark to touch off the gunpowder in the barrel. The stock had a brass muzzle cap, buttplate, trigger guard, patch and compartment cover. These rifles were almost five feet long! No wonder a synonym for them was "the long rifle!"

TO: Bernard Wunderlich, Calgary, Alberta; William J. Kulczyk, Saskatchewan, Canada; Karen Saxberg, Mandan, North Dakota; Cary Smith, Perryburg, Ohio; Van Phipps, Clinton, Oklahoma; Tommy Lewis, Wilmington, Delaware; Everett Soris, Eureka, California.

The first Indian war with white men began when Spanish explorers fought the Incas and Aztecs. In New England, King Philip's War followed soon after the founding of the Pilgrim's colony at Boston. These wars occurred over three hundred years ago, so you can see that Indian warfare is no new thing in this country!

The Indians used red cedar, hickory and orangewood for their bows. Some Indians even used horn bows. The only place to secure one of these bows today might be on an Indian reservation.

Though Sitting Bull attempted to get into Canada, he never made it. He and his Sioux were great warriors. A detailed history of the Sioux and their wars was printed in "Straight Arrow Comics". We have no pictures of Indians for distribution. Sorry!

The Indians in our comic books are real Indians, based on painstaking research into the lives and ways of warfare of the various Indian tribes mentioned.

Indians took scalps, because they were symbols of triumph. Taking a scalp counted as a big coup — similar to a medal-of-honor for a soldier from the government today. A warrior with many scalps was like a soldier with a lot of medals for bravery!

TO: Faye King, no address.

Muy pronto is Spanish. It means very fast, or immediately.

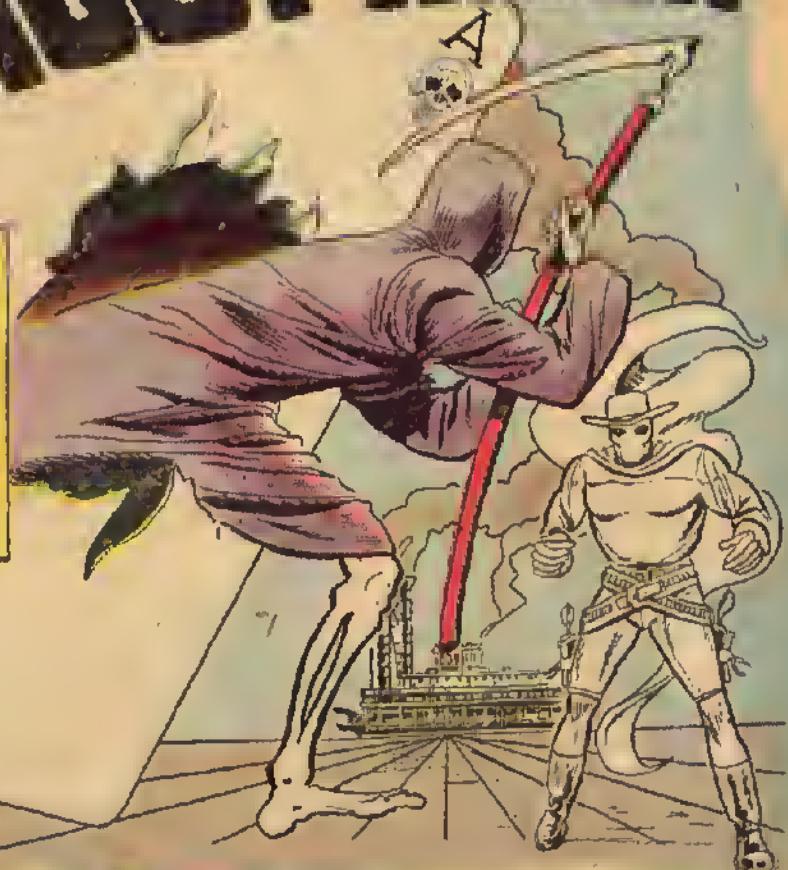
REMEMBER, BOYS AND GIRLS — WE CANNOT SEND PICTURES AT THIS TIME. IF YOU WANT A PERSONAL ANSWER, BE SURE TO ENCLOSE A STAMPED, SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPE. IF YOU DO NOT SEE YOUR QUESTION ANSWERED, IT MAY BE BECAUSE WE HAVE ALREADY ANSWERED YOUR QUESTION. IF YOU HAVE OTHER QUESTIONS — SEND THEM IN!

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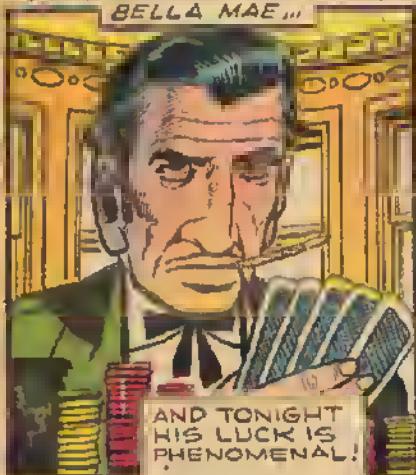
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THE GHOST RIDER

THIS WAS NO ORDINARY PLAYING-CARD... THIS WAS THE ACE OF DEATH! AND WHEN THE ACE OF DEATH FLIPPED ONTO THE TABLE, SOMEONE ALWAYS DIED! EVEN THE GHOST RIDER FACED EXTINCTION WHEN THAT FATAL CARD WAS DEALLED...



THEY CALL HIM FAST DEAL FARNSWORTH! HE RUNS THE NO-LIMIT POKER GAME ON THE RIVERBOAT, BELLA MAE...



AND TONIGHT HIS LUCK IS PHENOMENAL!



THE RIVER GAMBLER DOES NOT ANSWER... HE SMILES CRUELLY. AND FROM UNDER HIS CUFF, A CARD FLUTTERS DOWN ONTO THE TABLE...



THE ACE OF DEATH...

RESPONDING TO THE FATAL SIGNAL, FARNSWORTH'S COHORTS RUSH FORWARD—



THE PROTESTING COWHAND'S CRIES ARE STIFLED... AND HE IS QUICKLY DRAGGED TO A DESERTED PART OF THE DECK!



LAST TIME HE'LL CATCH THUH BOSS CHEATIN'!



BUT THE VICTIOUS CRIME HAS NOT GONE UNSEEN!

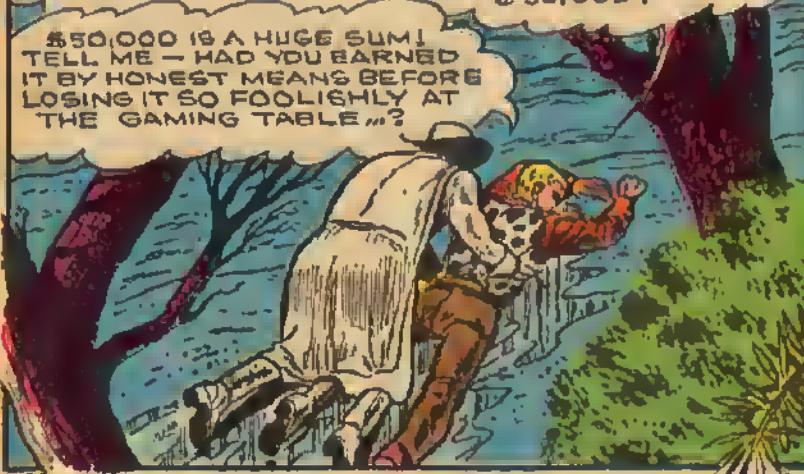
NOTIME TO DISMOUNT, SPECTRE! THE WATERY GRAVE IS YAWNING WIDE... AND THE POOR WRETCH IS SINKING FAST!



A SPLASH... A SPEEDY SURFACE-DIVE... A MOMENT'S GROPING IN MURKY WATERS— AND THE GHOST RIDER HAS EFFECTED ANOTHER OF HIS COUNTLESS DARING RESCUES!



TH-THANKS, GHOST RIDER! YUH...?GASP!... SAVED MY LIFE! BUT NOW I HAVE TO GIT BACK ON THAT RIVERBOAT! FARNSWORTH CHEATED ME OUT OF \$50,000!

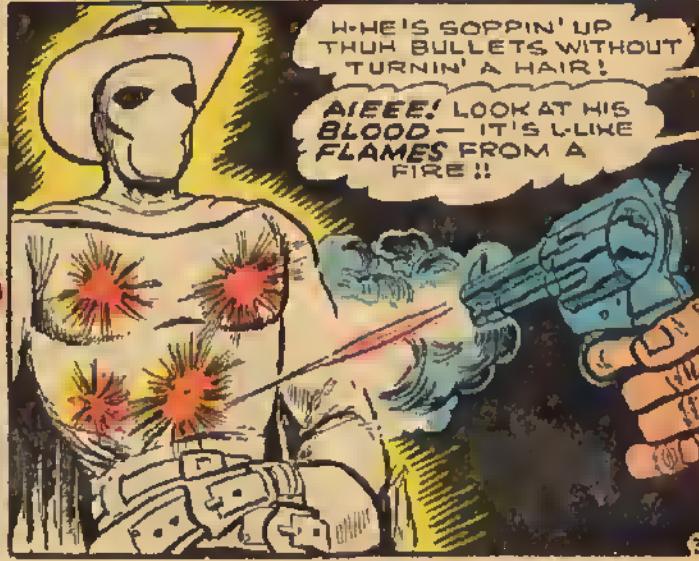
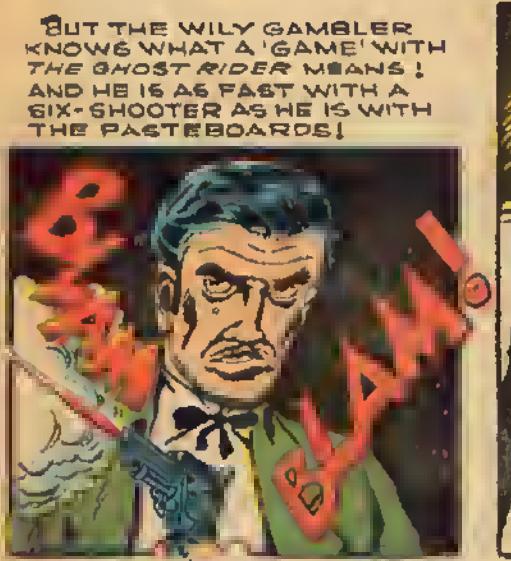
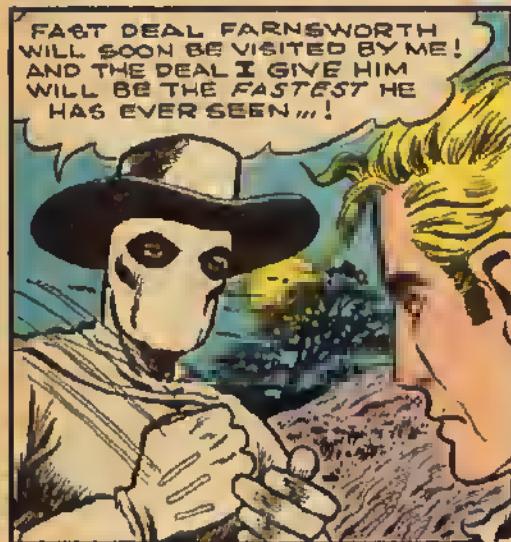
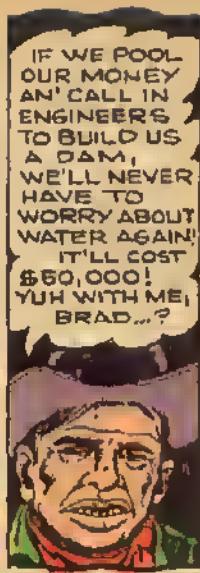
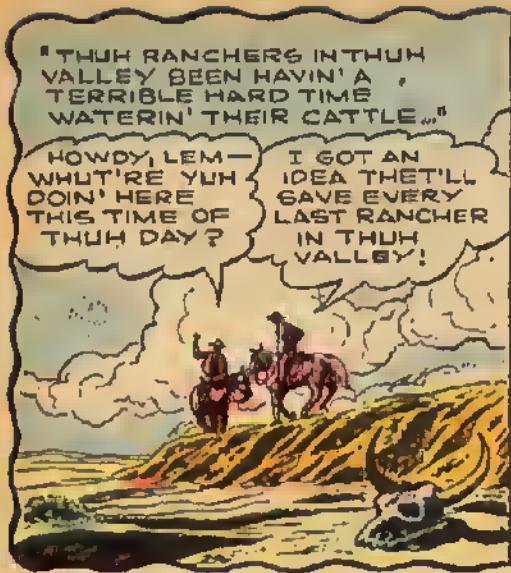


\$50,000 IS A HUGE SUM! TELL ME — HAD YOU EARNED IT BY HONEST MEANS BEFORE LOSING IT SO FOOLISHLY AT THE GAMING TABLE...?

IT WASN'T MINE, GHOST RIDER! THET IS WHUT MAKES IT EVEN WORSE — I WAS GAMBLIN' WITH OTHER PEOPLE'S MONEY! MY NAME IS LOU CLATON. I COME FROM LOST BONE VALLEY...



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THEY ARE COWED! THEY DO NOT KNOW THAT I CAME PREPARED WITH A BULLET-PROOF VEST! AND THAT BETWEEN THE VEST AND MY SHIRT HANGS A RUBBER BAG FILLED WITH LUMINOUSLY TREATED WATER!



FARNSWORTH'S FACE IS CHALK-WHITE AND DAMP WITH FEAR! BUT HE IS STILL A RATTLER WHOSE FANGS HAVE NOT BEEN REMOVED...



... AND HE FLASHES THE ACE OF DEATH!

A LEVER IS PULLED... AND A TRAP DOOR SWINGS DOWN, SENDING THE GHOST RIDER HURTLING INTO A WATER-FILLED HOLE!



NOW THE GHOST RIDER SWINGS UP INTO THE CABIN!

THESE ARE ALL UNDERLINGS! WHERE IS FARNSWORTH HIMSELF...?



THE SLIPPERY GAMBLER HAS TAKEN ADVANTAGE OF THE RUCKUS TO FLEE THE CABIN AND JUMP OVERBOARD!



AND IN THAT BLACK GATCHEL IS THE RANCHER'S \$50,000!

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LATER, THE GHOST RIDER
KEEPS A RENDEZVOUS
WITH LOU CLAYTON ...

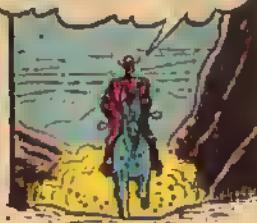
WE'LL NEVER CATCH UP
WITH FARNSWORTH NOW!

WE HAVE A GRAVER
PROBLEM THAN THAT!
I CAN ALWAYS TRACK
HIM DOWN... BUT HOW
WILL WE LEARN WHERE
HE HAS HIDDEN THE
MONEY...?



A WEEK HAS
PASSED AND NOW
ON A NARROW
MOUNTAIN TRAIL
NOT FAR FROM
LOST BONE
VALLEY...

I DON'T HAVE
TO WORRY
ABOUT THE GHOST
RIDER ANY MORE!
THUH MONEY'S
WHAR NOBODY'LL
EVER THINK TO
LOOK FER IT!



SUDDENLY—

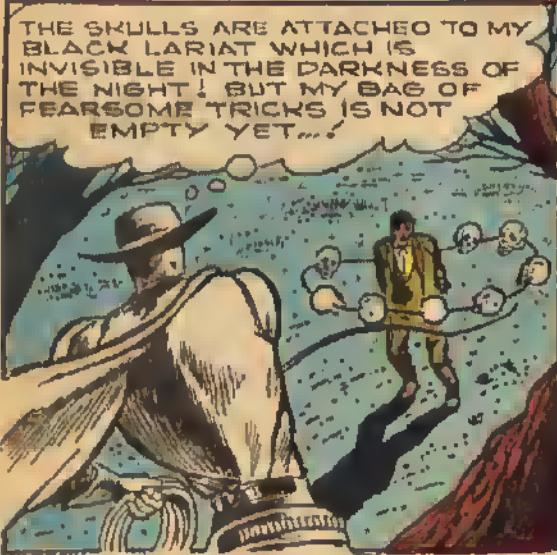
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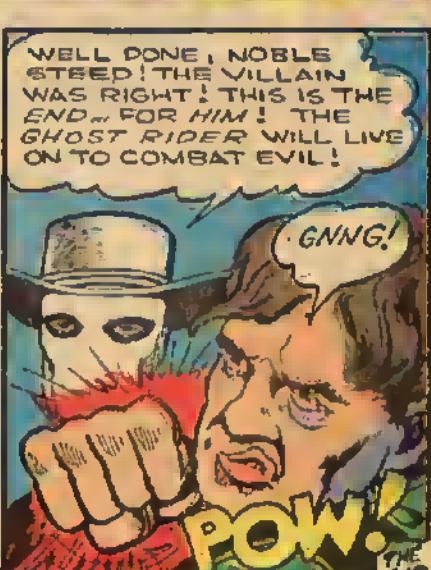
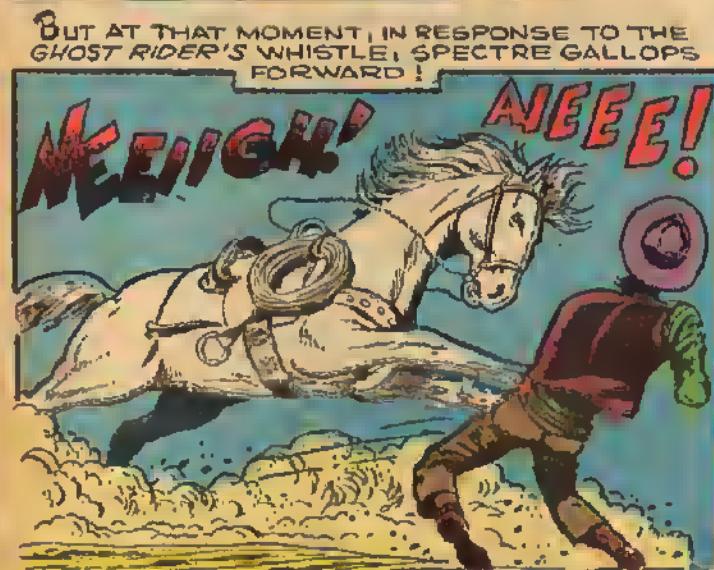
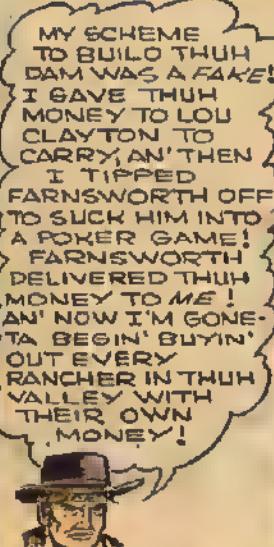
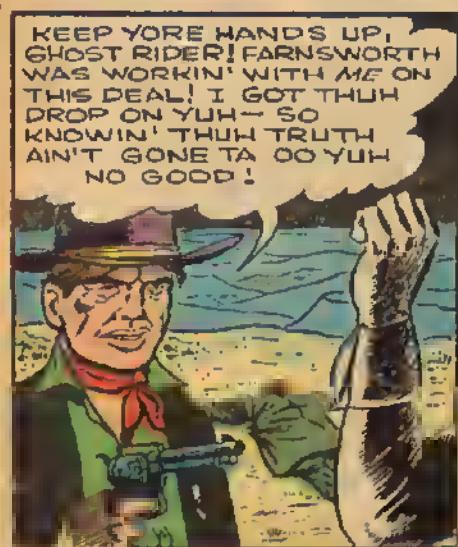


I PREPARED THE TRAIL
AHEAD WITH A LINE OF
GUNPOWDER. ONE MATCH...
AND IT FLARED UP INTO A
WALL OF FLAME! NOW
FOR SOME MORE SPECTRAL
EFFECTS WHEREBY I
SHALL CRUMBLE
FARNSWORTH'S NERVES...
AND FORCE HIM TO CONFESS
WHERE HE HAS HIDDEN
THE MONEY!



THE SKULLS ARE ATTACHED TO MY
BLACK LARIAT WHICH IS
INVISIBLE IN THE DARKNESS OF
THE NIGHT! BUT MY BAG OF
FEARSOME TRICKS IS NOT
EMPTY YET...





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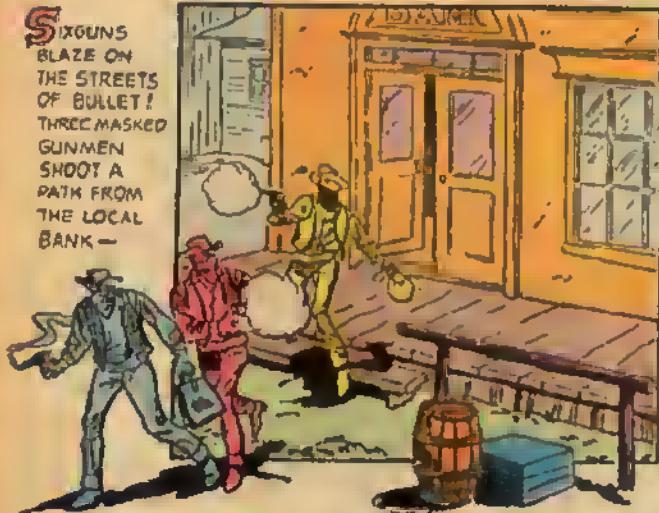


THE BLACK PHANTOM — LOVELY OUTLAW QUEEN TURNED DEPUTY SHERIFF — FAILS REDMASK IN HIS DESPERATE BATTLE AGAINST THE CLAW JENKINS GANG! HAS THE OUTLAW QUEEN DECIDED TO HELP HER FORMER RIDERS OF THE LONG TRAILS? OR IS THERE SOME OTHER ANSWER TO THE GRIM TREACHERY OF —

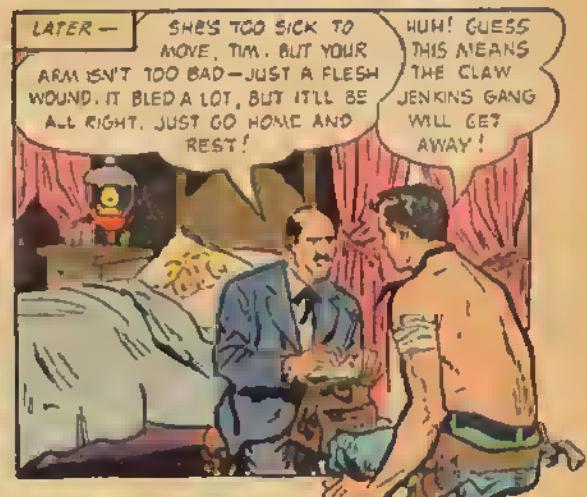
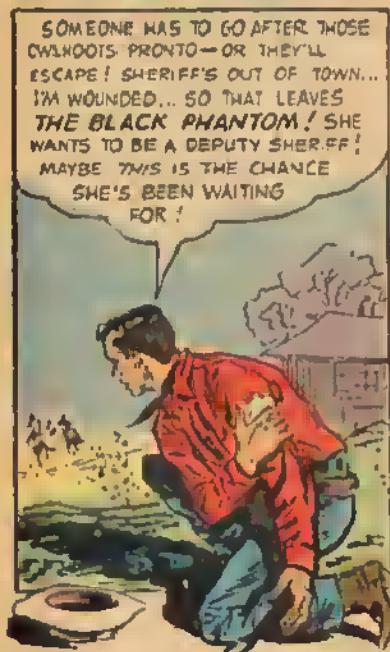
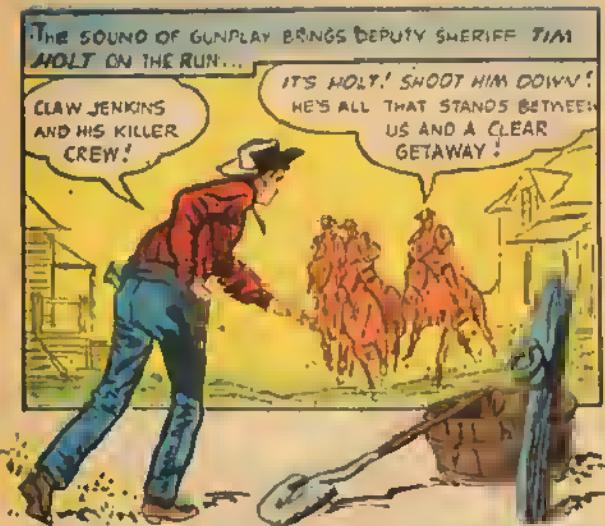
EXTRA DIMENSION EFFECT
ILLUSTRATED BY
FRANK BOLLE

"THE TWIN PHANTOM!"

SIXGUNS
BLAZE ON
THE STREETS
OF BULLET!
THREE MASKED
GUNMEN
SHOOT A
PATH FROM
THE LOCAL
BANK —



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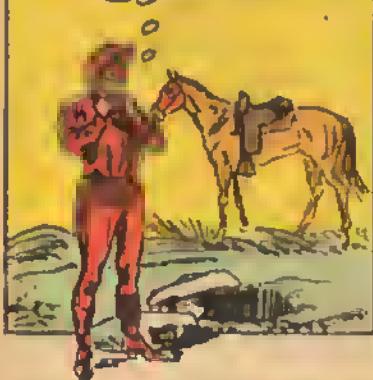


AS THE NOONDAY SUN LIFTS HIGH
IN THE SKY—

THAT WOUND IN
MY ARM ISN'T SO BAD. I CAN
HARDLY FEEL IT DUE TO THE
TIGHT BANDAGE DOC PUT AROUND
IT. HE TOLD ME TO HIT THE
TRAIL FOR THE T-BAR-H,
BUT I'M GOING TO DISREGARD
THAT!

IT'S MORE IMPORTANT THAT
I GO AFTER CLAW AND HIS TWO
GUN PARDS! THEY KNOW THEY
SHOT TIM HOLT, BUT IF I
SHOW UP AS REDMASK,
THEY WON'T KNOW
I'M WOUNDED!

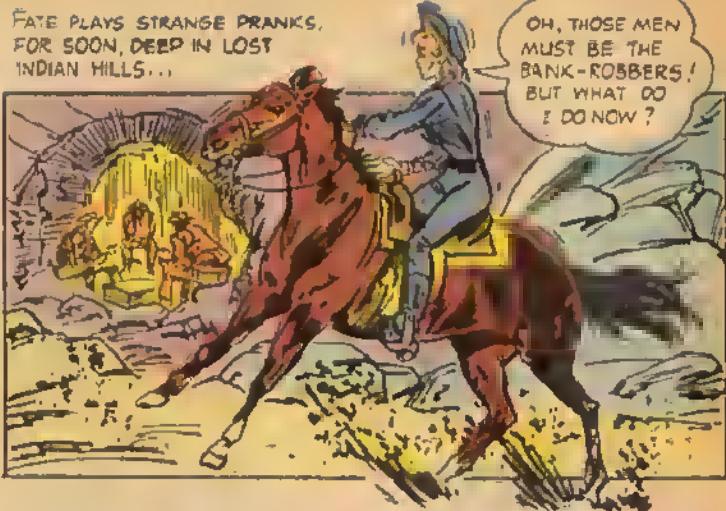
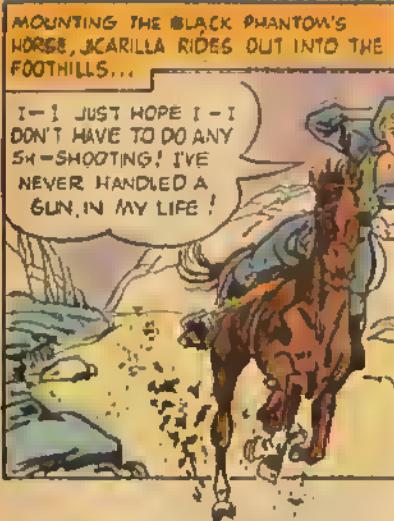
THE TRAIL LEADS INTO THE ROCKY
DEFILES OF LOST INDIAN HILLS HERE
THE TRACKS PETER OUT, AND RED-
MASK SEARCHES CAREFULLY TO
LOCATE THEM...



MEANWHILE IN BULLET—



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HORSE LAUGHTER RISES FROM HARD THROATS AS THE THREE OUTLAWS GALLOP OFF...

PRETENDING SHE HAW! DON'T KNOW HOW TO USE A COLT! HA! HA! WHAT AN ACTRESS! GIVING US THIS GETAWAY CHANCE BY ACTING LIKE THAT! HA! HA!

MOMENTS LATER—

ALL RIGHT, ALL RIGHT! CUT THE COMEDY! YOUR PALS ARE GONE!

YOU THINK I DID THAT TO LET THEM GET AWAY? OHHH...!



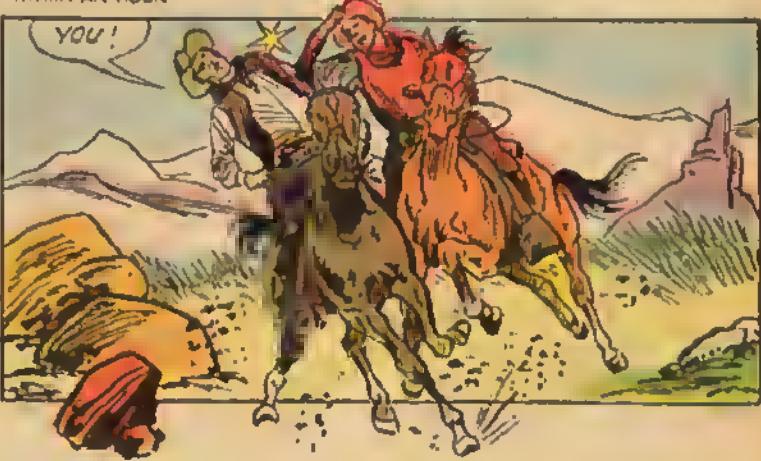
BOB: P-PLEASE HUH! CROCOOLE BELIEVE ME! I'M TEARS! STILL—I KNOW YOU'VE BEEN SICK: MAYBE YOU STILL HAVE A FEVER. JUST ON THE CHANCE YOU

MEAN WHAT YOU SAY, I'LL GIVE YOU ANOTHER TRY AT 'EM!



THEY'VE SPLIT UP, AND ARE TAKING DIFFERENT TRAILS. ONE'S HITTING FOR NEEDLE GAP, ANOTHER FOR PINE CONE FALLS. I'LL GO AFTER THE HOMBRE THAT'S CHOSEN HARDTACK CANYONS. YOU PICK ONE OF THE OTHERS AND FOLLOW HIM!

NO HORSE CAN MATCH STRIDES WITH THE GREAT STALLION, WRANGLER!



THE BLACK PHANTOM ISN'T AROUND TO GIVE YOU A HAND NOW, HOMBRE! LET'S SEE WHAT YOU CAN DO ON YOUR OWN!



HUH! JUST AS I THOUGHT—NOT MUCH!



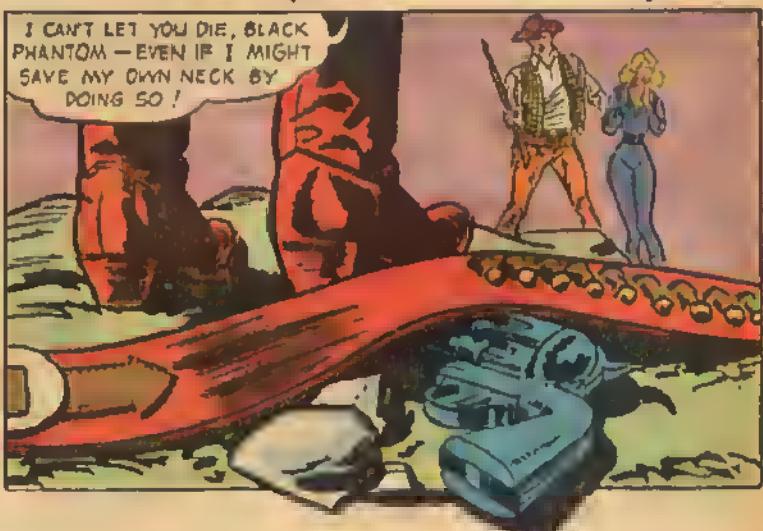
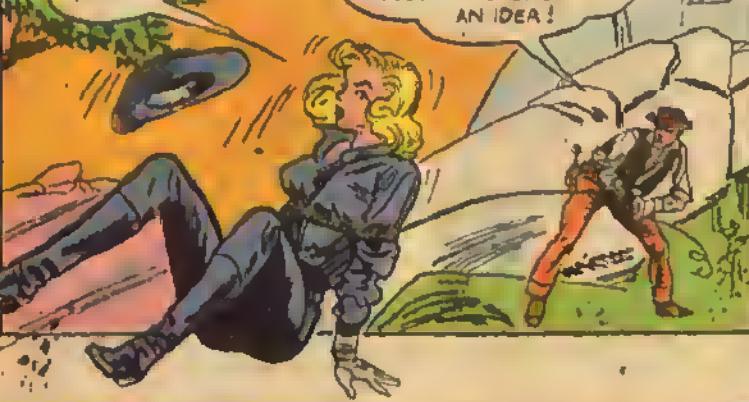
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IN THE MEANTIME, JICARILLA OVERTAKES THE FLEEING CLAW JENKINS. HEARING HOOFBEATS BEHIND HIM, CLAW TAKES REFUGE ON A ROCK LEDGE AND —

FOLLOWED ME, HUH?
GOOD! THIS GIVES ME
AN IDEA!

YOU'RE
HURTING
ME! MY
ARM—OH,
PLEASE!

YOU SURE DON'T
SOUND LIKE THE
BLACK PHANTOM
I KNOW! STILL,
YOU'LL BE JUST AS
GOOD FOR BAIT,
ONE WAY OR
THE OTHER!



Suddenly...

DROP YOUR OWN GUNS, CLAW!
MOVE A MUSCLE AND I SHOOT! I'M THE REAL BLACK PHANTOM, SO DON'T COUNT ON MY MISSING YOU!

FOR A FROZEN MOMENT, CLAW JENKINS AND HIS KILLERS STARE UPWARD...

THIS IS ALL I WANTED—A CHANCE TO JUMP THEM BEFORE THEY COULD SHOOT!



BLACK PHANTOM! ME—KILLED YOU!

WITH DREAD IN HIS HEART, REDMASK LEAPS FORWARD...

HE MISSED ME BY A MILE, REDMASK. BUT YOU SEE, I'M STILL SICK. I FAINTED JUST THEN FROM EXHAUSTION AND WEAKNESS!

YOU SURE HAD ME WORRIED, PHANTOM!

YES, MA'AM! YOU HAD ME WORRIED— IN MORE WAYS THAN ONE. I FORGOT ABOUT YOUR TWIN SISTER!

AND I'M READY TO FORGET THAT I WAS EVER THE BLACK PHANTOM. COME ON. LET'S GET THESE MEN BACK TO JAIL. SO I WON'T BE LATE FOR MY SINGING ENGAGEMENT TONIGHT AT THE BULLET OPERA HOUSE!



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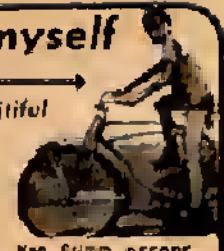
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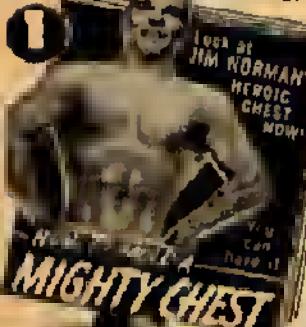
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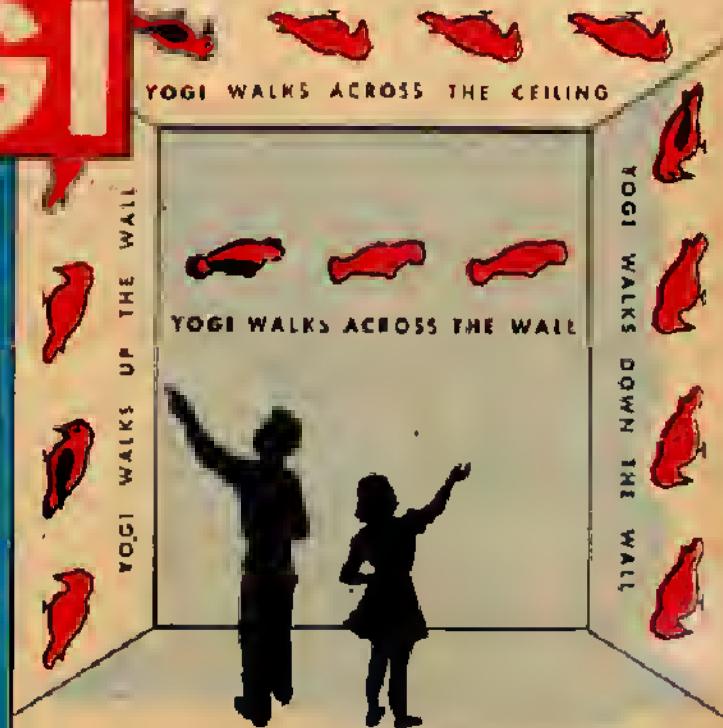
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